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KC WOMAN PLEADS GUILTY TO PRODUCING COUNTERFEIT CURRENCY

KANSAS CITY, Mo. – Todd P. Graves, United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, announced that a Kansas City, Mo., woman pleaded guilty in federal court today to conspiracy to manufacture counterfeit currency in \$50, \$20 and \$10 denominations.

Annie J. Baker, 23, of Kansas City, pleaded guilty before U.S. Chief District Judge Dean Whipple this morning to the charge contained in an April 20, 2005, federal indictment.

By pleading guilty, **Baker** admitted that she and others conspired to create counterfeit currency between September and October 2003. Specifically, **Baker** admitted that the co-conspirators used a computer scanner, a personal computer, an inkjet printer and paper cutters to produce counterfeit currency in denominations of \$50, \$20 and \$10 bills. Once manufactured, **Baker** sold, traded or transferred the counterfeit currency, Graves said.

In total, Graves said, **Baker** and her co-conspirators manufactured at least \$2,720 in counterfeit currency and passed \$130 worth of counterfeit currency in October 2003 at the Worlds of Fun amusement park in Kansas City.

Baker also agreed to forfeit to the government her interest in any property used during the course of the conspiracy, including a Hypertech computer, an Epson Stylus Photo 2200 color printer, an Epson Perfection 3170 photo scanner, a GBC Classic Cut CL300 paper cutter, a Fiskar paper cutter and numerous pieces of paper, some bearing images of Alexander Hamilton.

This case is being prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Daniel M. Nelson. The case was investigated by the United States Secret Service.

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